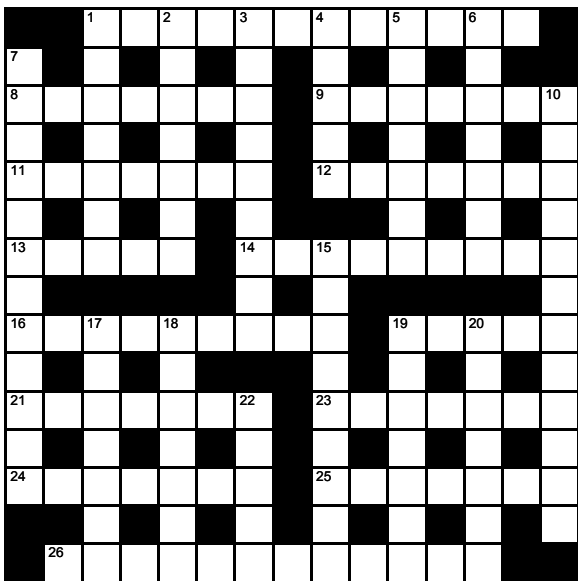


CROSSWORD

No. 13,785 Set by NEO



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 "Very large in glee" misconstrues Hamlet's plot (7,5)
- 8 Is to secure new, extravagant place (7)
- 9 Star unfit with belly layer (7)
- 11 Dodgy doctor stashing drugs in some department (4,3)
- 12 Country person of vulgar habits heading off sometime soon (7)
- 13 Buried during ancient city's catastrophic end (5)
- 14 Nervous Shakespeare women dismissed with some banter (3,2,4)
- 16 With sixth sense they leap in dance across time (9)
- 19 What propels boat south – men at oar (5)
- 21 Expect payment where hospital refused to perform surgery (7)
- 23 Nobleman given honour as something of a listener (7)
- 24 Demonstrators in rain? (7)
- 25 Thomas for one infected, cold caught (7)
- 26 Potter's work in poem has pun that's awful (3-9)

DOWN

- 1 Caligula's sex position many came to see (7)
- 2 Heroic lover with piercing eye (7)
- 3 Leader on Annapurna gets ill – right to receive treatment and physician (9)
- 4 Artistic support for treacherous person beheaded (5)
- 5 Cheese on toast provides unusually good mouthful (7)
- 6 Sent into stormily sea-girl land (7)
- 7 Rude Posh attends dance club, sure to get thrown out (12)
- 10 Reckon why men worked with tool (6-6)
- 15 Parishioner's poem sung for each boy (9)
- 17 Told Porky to have some rest (3-4)
- 18 Man almost catches delayed plane (7)
- 19 Terrifying sound rocks Switzerland (7)
- 20 Vase for standing contains nothing in high place (7)
- 22 Mares would triumph here, in sleep so monstrous (5)

Solution to Saturday's prize puzzle on Saturday September 10
 Solution to yesterday's prize puzzle on Monday September 12
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